

SENATE GENERAL WELFARE COMMITTEE AMENDMENT 1

Amendment No. 1 to SB3320

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Signature of Sponsor**

AMEND Senate Bill No. 3320*

House Bill No. 3433

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Clerk _____

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by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:
SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 33, Chapter 1, is amended by

adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

33-1-____. The department of mental health and developmental disabilities along with the department of human services and the department of children's services are directed to study the feasibility of a guardianship program for persons who are mentally disabled and/or physically disabled. Such program may be similar to the guardianship program for the elderly administered by the commission on aging created in § 34-7-103. The departments shall study the financial impact of such a program and shall find out whether any federal grants exist to help fund such a program. All departments and the comptroller of the treasury shall cooperate with these departments in assisting the study of such guardianship program. The departments shall also solicit input and resources from interested organizations in helping them study the development of such guardianship program. The departments shall report their findings and suggested legislation to the governor, the senate general welfare, health and human resources committee and the house health and human resources committee by January 15, 2005.

SECTION 2. It is the legislative intent that this act not be codified by the Tennessee Code Commission.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. This act shall be repealed on June 30, 2006, the public welfare requiring it.